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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed will follow.
- A certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-071212 filed March 17, 2003 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
- IDS enclosed (with 3 reference(s)).
- Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- Application data sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.
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A TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	21	-20	1	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	18
B INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	3	-3	0	LG=\$86 SM=\$43	\$86	\$ 0
C SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						18
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